

BEFORE THE GEORGIA TAX TRIBUNAL STATE OF GEORGIA

JUN 1 6 2022

CALVIN BERNARD NEAL SR,

*

Clara Davis, Tax Tribunal Administrator

Petitioner,

DOCKET No.: 2216173

v.

ROBYN A. CRITTENDEN, in her Official Capacity as Commissioner of the GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,

Respondent.

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

Respondent, ROBIN A. CRITTENDEN, Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Revenue, submitted a Motion to Dismiss to this Court on May 9, 2022. Respondent filed this motion in response to Petitioner's appeal of Letter No. L1894867504, Official Assessment and Demand for Payment, issued by the Georgia Department of Revenue.

Under Georgia Tax Tribunal Rule 616-1-3-.03(a), "[a]ny person may petition the Tax Tribunal for relief as provided in Code Sections 48-2-18, 48-2-35, 48-2-59, 48-3-1, 48-5-519, 48-6-7, 48-6-76 and subparagraph (d)(2)(C) of Code Section 48-7-31. The Tax Tribunal shall have jurisdiction over actions for declaratory judgment that fall within subsection (a) of Code Section 50-13-10 and involve a rule of the Commissioner that is applicable to taxes administered by the Commissioner under Title 48." See O.C.G.A. § 50-13A-9. Further, under O.C.G.A. § 48-2-18.1, "The commissioner... shall be authorized to settle and compromise any proposed tax assessment, any final tax assessment, or any fi. fa., where there is doubt as to liability or there is doubt as to collectability, and the settlement or compromise is in the best interests of the state." O.C.G.A. § 48-

2-18.1.

In his Petition, Petitioner requests relief on the basis that he is financially unable to pay the

amount owed. Petition at 2. Because Petitioner is not contesting the balance due and is only

requesting relief on the basis that he is financially unable to pay the amount owed, the Tribunal lacks

subject matter jurisdiction over this matter. Because it is the commissioner who has the authority,

under O.C.G.A. § 48-2-18.1, to settle and compromise any final tax assessment where there is doubt

as to collectability, there is no relief which the Tribunal can grant.

Because there is no relief which the Tribunal can grant, and the Tribunal lacks subject matter

jurisdiction over this matter, Respondent's Motion to Dismiss is GRANTED and the foregoing

action is **DISMISSED**.

SO ORDERED, this 16th day of June, 2022.

LAWRENCE E. O'NEAL, JR.

James E. ONal

CHIEF JUDGE

GEORGIA TAX TRIBUNAL